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## **Preface**

The General Accounting Office (GAO), an arm of the Congress, was established to independently audit government agencies. GAO's Health, Education, and Human Services (HEHS) Division reviews the government's health, education, employment, social security, welfare, and veterans programs administered in the Departments of Health and Human Services, Labor, Education, Veterans Affairs, and some other agencies.

This booklet lists the GAO products issued on these programs. It is divided into two major sections:

- Most Recent GAO Products: This section identifies reports and testimonies issued during the past 2 months and provides summaries for selected key products.
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#### **Abbreviations**

AIDS	acquired immunodeficiency syndrome
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDR	continuing disability review
CHAMPUS	Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services
CRS	Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress
DEA	Drug Enforcement Agency
DC	District of Columbia
DOD	Department of Defense
DOE	Department of Energy
EEO	Equal Employment Opportunity
EEOC	Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
ERISA	Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974
ESEA	Elementary and Secondary Education Act
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
GAO	General Accounting Office
HEAF	Higher Education Assistance Foundation, Department of Education

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Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO HEHS Health Care Financing Administration **HCFA** Philadelphia Accessible Services System **HealthPASS** Department of Health and Human Services HHS health maintenance organization **HMO** Human Resources Division, U.S. General Accounting HRD Office Immigration and Naturalization Service INS Internal Revenue Service IRS Job Opportunities and Basic Skills program **JOBS** Job Training Partnership Act **JTPA** National Assessment Governing Board, Department of NAGB Education OBRA Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 Pension Benefit Guarantee Corporation **PBGC** Pension Funding Improvement Act of 1993 PFIA Pension Protection Act PPA Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness PATH **Small Business Administration** SBA SEA state education agency Social Security Administration SSA Supplemental Security Income SSI United Mine Workers of America Combined Benefit Fund **UMWA** Department of Veterans Affairs VA Vetarans Affairs Medical Center VAMC Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act WARN Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, WIC and Children

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#### Health

#### **Selected Summaries**

Long-Term Care: Diverse, Growing Population Includes Millions of Americans of All Ages (Report, 11/7/94, GAO/HEHS-95-26).

The long-term care population includes more than 12 million people who say they need assistance with everyday activities as a result of chronic conditions such as heart disease, mental retardation, or Alzheimer's disease. Over 7 million are elderly; 5 million are working age adults; and about half a million are children under age 18. The long-term care needs of this population vary considerably, from around-the-clock nursing care to occasional assistance with household chores, such as cooking and house cleaning. The aging of the large baby-boom generation means that long-term care need will increase well into the next century, as much as doubling among the elderly population in the next 25 years. Less is known about the future long-term care needs of the nonelderly. Projections of this population are difficult, but researchers believe that it is likely to increase.

Medical Education: Curriculum and Financing Strategies Need to Encourage Primary Care Training (Report, 10/21/94, GAO/HEHS-95-9).

Choice of career paths in medicine is associated with the characteristics of students admitted to medical schools and with the curriculum and training opportunities they receive during their medical education. We found that some features of medical schools were associated with an increased likelihood that students would go into primary care. Foremost among these was whether the medical school had a family practice department—students who attended schools with family practice departments were more likely to pursue primary care than students who attended schools without such departments. The way residency training is financed contributes to a specialist orientation for the clinical education of medical students.

Medicare: Referrals to Physician-Owned Imaging Facilities Warrant HCFA's Scrutiny (Report, 10/20/94, GAO/HEHS-95-2).

Florida physicians with a financial interest in joint-venture imaging centers had higher referral rates for almost all types of imaging services than other Florida physicians. Florida physicians with imaging facilities in their offices, group practices, or other practice settings also had high imaging

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rates compared with those of other physicians. The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has not yet finalized the regulations or procedures needed to implement and enforce the OBRA 1993 self-referral restrictions as they apply to physicians with a financial interest in joint ventures.

Family Planning Clinics: Strain of Norplant's High Up-Front Costs Has Subsided (Report, 10/7/94, GAO/HEHS-95-7).

When Norplant was first introduced in the United States in 1990, its high up-front cost made it difficult for Title X clinics to provide Norplant to all clients requesting it. To help meet the initial demand for the implant, hhs, the states, and Title X grantees took action soon after Norplant's introduction to lessen Norplant's budgetary burden on family planning clinics. Hhs allowed the clinics to limit Norplant services based on budget constraints, and permitted Title X grantees to concentrate Norplant services in magnet or hub locations into which clinics could channel patients. The subsequent decline in demand for Norplant appears to be due to the fact that it lasts 5 years and is reported to have adverse side effects. Further, women have turned to another more recently introduced injectable contraceptive that does not involve surgery.

Health Care: Employers Urge Hospitals to Battle Costs Using Performance Data Systems (Report, 10/3/94, GAO/HEHS-95-1).

In the communities GAO reviewed, the introduction of severity-adjusted performance measurement systems has given hospitals an impetus to initiate efficiency improvements. Employer coalitions in Cincinnati, Cleveland, and Orlando have made severity-adjusted performance measurement systems an important element of their communities' cost containment strategies. In the communities GAO examined, hospitals generally regard the systems as one of several useful internal tools for identifying efficiency problems. Hospitals, physicians, and experts in the field of outcomes research caution employers that the results of these systems should not be the sole guide for health care purchasing decisions.

#### Other Health Products

Breast Conservation versus Mastectomy: Patient Survival in Day-to-Day Practice and in Randomized Studies (Report, 11/15/94, GAO/PEMD-95-9).

#### Education

#### Selected Summaries

Early Childhood Programs: Multiple Programs and Overlapping Target Groups (Report, 10/31/94, GAO/HEHS-95-4FS).

gao found that in federal fiscal years 1992 and 1993, the federal government funded over 90 early childhood programs in 11 federal agencies and 20 offices. Of these programs, we identified 34 as key programs. These key programs provided services to at least 2 million children below age 5 and spent at least \$3.66 billion in federal fiscal year 1992. However, data are limited on the exact number of children served and the dollars spent on children below age 5. Although these programs have some similarities, they may target different populations, use different eligibility criteria, and provide a different mix of services to children and their families.

Education Finance: Extent of Federal Funding in State Education Agencies (Report, 10/14/94, GAO/HEHS-95-3).

In fiscal year 1993, although the federal government only provided about 7 percent of elementary and secondary school funding, states relied on federal support for 41 percent of the funding and 41 percent of the staff for their state education agencies (SEAS). However, the situation is complex and comparisons among SEAS based solely on their total federal share of funding and staff can be misleading. Using the core of 10 federal programs common to nearly all SEAS, the extent of funding retained for state-level operations—primarily oversight, technical assistance and training related to specific federal programs—was 29 percent. Overall, states reserved a greater share of federal than state funds for state-level operations—by a ratio of 4 to 1. This difference may be due, state officials report, to the administrative and regulatory requirements imposed by federal programs.

#### **Other Education Products**

College Savings Issues (Report, 11/4/94, GAO/HEHS-95-16R).

Motor Carrier Academy (Letter, 11/2/94, GAO/RCED-95-43R).

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#### **Employment Products**

U.S. Postal Service: The State of Labor-Management Relations (Testimony, 11/30/94, GAO/T-GGD-95-46).

## Social Security, Disability, and Welfare

#### **Selected Summaries**

Illegal Aliens: Assessing Estimates of Financial Burden on California (Report, 11/28/94, GAO/HEHS-95-22).

Developing credible estimates of the costs and revenues for illegal aliens in California is difficult because limited data are available on this population's size, use of public services, and tax payments. This difficulty is compounded by the lack of consensus among researchers on the appropriate methodologies, assumptions, and data sources to use in estimating costs and revenues associated with illegal aliens. Our adjusted fiscal year 1994-95 estimate of the state and local impact of illegal aliens in California was \$2.35 billion for elementary and secondary education, Medicaid benefits, and adult incarceration. Assessing tax revenue from illegal aliens was more difficult. Estimates of state and local revenues from illegal aliens ranged from \$500 million to \$1.4 billion.

Private Pensions: Funding Rule Change Needed to Reduce PBGC's Multibillion Dollar Exposure (Report, 10/5/94, GAO/HEHS-95-5).

The current funding rules for underfunded plans are not working well. Despite the intent of the Pension Protection Act (PPA) in 1987 that funding in underfunded plans be improved, in 1990 sponsors of most underfunded plans in our sample made no additional contributions to reduce underfunding. The proposed Pension Funding Improvement Act of 1993 (PFIA) would actually reduce the percentage of sponsors making increased contributions to their underfunded plans. The administration's proposed Retirement Protection Act of 1993 (RPA) would increase the percentage of underfunded plan sponsors making additional contributions to about 50 percent. Under both bills, most affected sponsors would make

substantially larger contributions. However, we believe additional changes are necessary to improve funding in most underfunded plans.

#### Other Social Security, Disability, and Welfare Products

Financial Audit: House Child Care Center—Fiscal Years Ended 9-30-93, 9-30-92, and Month Ended 9-30-91 (Report, 10/14/94, GAO/AIMD-95-2).

## Veterans Affairs and Military Health

#### **Selected Summaries**

va Health Care: Purchases of Safer Devices Should Be Based on Risk of Injury (Report, 11/17/94, GAO/HEHS-95-12).

VA medical centers are individually responsible for acquiring medical devices they need to perform their work, including safer needle and sharps devices. While some medical centers are acquiring safer devices, insufficient data are available within these centers to demonstrate (1) the extent to which safer devices are needed and (2) whether the devices will reduce the number of percutaneous injuries. In fiscal year 1993, va's 130 acute care medical centers reported 4,791 needle injuries, about a 19-percent decrease from 5,933 in fiscal year 1992. VA officials do not know to what extent this decrease can be attributed to better use of universal precautions, safer devices, or underreporting of needle injuries. VA health care workers are at risk of incurring life-threatening diseases from a percutaneous injury involving HIV- or hepatitis-infected blood from patients in VA medical centers.

VA/DOD Health Care: More Guidance Needed to Implement CHAMPUS-Funded Sharing Agreements (Report, 10/28/94, GAO/HEHS-95-15).

In February 1994, after nearly 3 years of negotiation, the Department of Veterans Affairs (va) and the Department of Defense (DOD) agreed on a framework for va to treat Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS)-eligible beneficiaries and receive reimbursement from CHAMPUS funds. The first sharing agreement using CHAMPUS funds to buy va services in noncatchment areas was signed by DOD and the Asheville, North Carolina, Vetarans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) officials. Although the Asheville VAMC began treating CHAMPUS patients in February 1994, neither DOD nor VA has conducted a systemwide search to

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identify other opportunities for sharing agreements. Within catchment areas, we found that DOD hospital commanders have not used CHAMPUS funds for sharing agreements between their hospitals and VA hospitals and, consequently, potential sharing opportunities have been missed.

Veterans' Health Care: Use of va Services by Medicare-Eligible Veterans (Report, 10/24/94, GAO/HEHS-95-13).

Medicare-eligible veterans make substantial use of va services not extensively covered under Medicare. Our analysis suggests that many Medicare-eligible veterans turn to va specifically to obtain several of these services, particularly prescription drugs, inpatient psychiatric care, and long-term nursing care. Changes in Medicare or veterans health benefits made as a result of health care reform could significantly affect future demand for va health care services.

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Health Care: Federal and State Antitrust Actions Concerning the Health Care Industry (Report, 8/5/94, GAO/HEHS-94-220).

Health Professions Education: Role of Title VII/VIII Programs in Improving Access to Care Is Unclear (Report, 7/8/94, GAO/HEHS-94-164).

Health Reform: Purchasing Cooperatives Have an Increasing Role in Providing Access to Insurance (Testimony, 6/30/94, GAO/T-HEHS-94-196). Report on same topic (5/31/94, GAO/HEHS-94-142).

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Health Care Access: Innovative Programs Using Nonphysicians (Report, 8/27/93, GAO/HRD-93-128).

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Indian Health Service: Basic Services Mostly Available; Substance Abuse Problems Need Attention (Report, 4/9/93, GAO/HRD-93-48).

Health Care: Rochester's Community Approach Yields Better Access, Lower Costs (Report, 1/29/93, GAO/HRD-93-44).

Emergency Departments: Unevenly Affected by Growth and Change in Patient Use (Report, 1/4/93, GAO/HRD-93-4).

District of Columbia: Barriers to Medicaid Enrollment Contribute to Hospital Uncompensated Care (Report, 12/29/92, GAO/HRD-93-28).

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Early Retiree Health: Health Security Act Would Shift Billions in Costs to Federal Government (Report, 7/21/94, GAO/HEHS-94-203FS).

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Family and Medical Leave Cost Estimate (Letter, 2/1/93, GAO/HRD-93-14R).

Federal Health Benefits Program: Analysis of Contingency and Special Reserves (Report, 12/4/92, GAO/GGD-93-26).

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Health Care: Employers Urge Hospitals to Battle Costs Using Performance Data Systems (Report, 10/3/94, GAO/HEHS-95-1).

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Health Insurance For The Elderly: Owning Duplicate Policies Is Costly and Unnecessary (Report, 8/3/94, GAO/HEHS-94-185).

Indian Health Service: Efforts to Recruit Health Care Professionals (Report, 7/7/94, GAO/HEHS-94-180FS).

Health Care: Antitrust Enforcement Under Maryland Hospital All-Payer System (Report, 4/27/94, GAO/HEHS-94-81).

Blue Cross and Blue Shield: Experiences of Weak Plans Underscore the Role of Effective State Oversight (Report, 4/13/94, GAO/HEHS-94-71).

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